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LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF KHARIF CROPS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made any survey to assess the production of current kharif crop in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the details of prediction made by Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) for kharif production; and

(d) the details of production that suffered due to various damages to the standing crops in various States in the current kharif crop?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 151 DUE FOR REPLY ON 26TH NOVEMBER, 2007.

(a) & (b): Four advance estimates and final estimates of area and production are being brought out periodically by the Directorate of Economics & Statistics (DES) in the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation (DAC). These estimates are compiled on the basis of information and assessments received from State Governments, National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO), Crop Weather Watch Group Meetings (CWWG), India Meteorological Department (IMD), Space Application Centre (SAC) and other auxiliary information. The first advance estimates of the major crops of Kharif 2007 were brought out by the DES on 19th September, 2007 as given below:

(Million Tonnes)

Rice	Coarse Cereals	Total Pulses	Total Foodgrains	Nine Oilseeds	Cotton #	Jute & Mesta ##	Sugarcane
80.15	26.58	5.51	112.24	16.13	229.43	113.03	345.62

Lakh bales of 170 kgs. Each
Lakh bales of 180 kgs. Each

(c): India Meteorological Department (IMD) does not make prediction for the production of all kharif crops as such. However, IMD estimates yield levels of kharif rice in respect of only some of the meteorological sub-divisions using agromet modeling exercise.

(d) The crop area affected due to floods, etc. in various States during monsoon 2007 as assessed by National Disaster Management (Min. of Home Affairs) is given in the table below:

Crop Area Affected during Kharif 2007:

States	Cropped area affected (in hectare)	States	Cropped area affected (in hectare)
Andhra Pradesh	1,74,000	Meghalaya	90
Arunachal Pradesh	N.R.	Orissa	1,84,147
Assam	6,70,957	Punjab	28,134
Bihar	16,62,000	Rajasthan	Neg.
Chhattisgarh	2,560	Sikkim	
Goa	Neg	Tripura	Nil

Gujarat 4,68,342 Tamil Nadu Nil
Haryana Nil Uttar Pradesh 1,62,566
Himachal Pradesh 1,12,982 Uttarakhand N.R.
Jharkhand 962 West Bengal 24,55,006
J & K Nil And & Nicobar Nil
Karnataka 2,37,480 Chandigarh
Kerala 36,823 Daman & diu Nil
Madhya Pradesh 4239 Dadra & Nagar Nil
Haveli
Manipur Delhi
Mizoram Nil Lakshadweep Nil
Nagaland Nil Pondicherry 2,15,000
Maharashtra N.R. Total 64,15,288

Source: Disaster Management Division, Ministry of Home Affairs (Website, dated: 15- 10-2007)

However, the production of cereals, pulses, oilseeds, cotton, jute & Mesta during Kharif 2007 has been estimated to be more than that during Kharif 2006 season, as shown below:

Year	Cereals	Pulses	Oilseeds	Sugarcane	Cotton#	Jute & mesta##
2007 (1st Adv. Est.)	106.73	5.51	16.13	345.62	229.43	113.03
2006 (4th Adv. Est.)	105.78	4.74	13.94	345.31	226.96	112.57

Cereals, Pulses, Oilseeds, & Sugarcane in Million Tonnes

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